

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,      )  
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Plaintiff,                                 )  
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v.    )  
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COLUMBIA MANAGEMENT ADVISORS, INC.,      )  
and COLUMBIA FUNDS DISTRIBUTOR, INC.,    )  
  )  
Defendants.                                 )

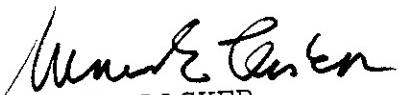
04-CV-10367-MEL

ORDER OF RECUSAL

LASKER, D.J.

I hereby recuse myself from this case in order to avoid  
a conflict arising from a financial interest.

See 28 U.S.C. sec. 455(b) (4).

  
MORRIS E. LASKER  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

By the Court,

Dated:     March 25, 2004  
             Boston, Massachusetts

/s/ George H. Howarth  
Deputy Clerk